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700 AT POOL OPENING

Altona's heated indoor swimming pool, completed at a total cost of \$1,007,624 last month, was officially opened before 700 people by the Mayor, Cr. Les Crofts on Sunday.

The pool, on Lynch Reserve at the corner of Mills and Mason Streets, Altona North, has taken just over a year to build.

On Sunday afternoon, Cr. Steve Clement, council's youth, sport and recreation portfolio holder, welcomed

visitors, and outlined the history of the pool project.

He said the council decided in 1971 to build an indoor pool at the Lynch Reserve, mainly because of its nearness to eight schools.

More than 5,500 students attend the schools in Altona North, representing 60 per cent of the district's total enrolment.

In addition, the council recognised the need for swimming facilities in Altona North, because of its greater distance from the beach.

Government grants made up \$250,000 of the total cost of the swimming complex, with the rest coming from loan funds, community donations and rate revenue.

Mr Gary Bryant, director of regional services with the State Government's Youth, Sport and Recreation Department, represented the Minister, Mr. Dixon, at the opening.

No swimming was allowed at the pool on Sunday. However, the first to try the water was the mayor...

He braved Monday's chilly conditions at 6.30 am to be the first to swim the 25 metres.

He was followed 15 minutes later by the town clerk, Mr. Syd Fell, who decided to create a record of his own.

He is now the first to swim the full length of the pool — underwater.

Pool manager, Mr. Mike Ross is presently opening the complex between 7 am and 8.30 pm. He said the hours will be reconsidered in the light of public usage.

Paisley land vetoed again

Altona councillors have rapped State Government knuckles, including the Premier's, over the Housing Commission's Paisley project.

The Government wants housing on the old Paisley briquette dump, which adjoins the new Altona North swimming pool in Mason Street.

The council believes the Paisley idea should be abandoned on environmental grounds in favor of commission development on Truganina Reserve.

Altona Council has, for three years, tried to convince the commission, and the Government, that Truganina would be a good residential development site. The land is off Queen Street.

The commission has rejected that site as "totally unsuitable for residential purposes".

However, last year, the Urban Land Council proposed that 60 acres of the land be used for private residential development.

The rebuke to the Government is in a reply to a letter from the Premier's Department.

The letter, written by Mr. K. Green, department secretary, said that environmental criteria could be met with the building of 200 homes on the north-west corner of the Paisley land.

Despite two appeals to the Town Planning Appeals Tribunal, the Housing Commission, has so far been refused permission to build at Paisley.

The tribunal ruled that the land is too close to the Petroleum Refineries

complex. Altona and Williamstown Councils, the Environment Protection Authority and PRA gave evidence opposing the housing plan.

Mr. Green said Mr. Hamer wanted council to know that the Government believed there is an urgent need for additional housing in the Altona area.

The environmental criteria would be met by 200 units on the north-west corner, because the site at that point would be 1000 metres away from industry, the Government believed.

OBJECTIONS

Mr. Green asked for council's agreement to the 200 unit proposal so that the commission's latest appeal to the tribunal could be avoided. The appeal hearing is set for April 19 and 20.

However, at a meeting of councillors on Thursday night, Cr. Doug Grant, seconded by Cr. Ian Stewart moved —

● That council express to the Premier its continuing objection for the following reasons:

● That the whole of the Paisley area lies within 1000 metres of PRA property, and that housing on the site would not meet standards established by the World Health Organisation or the EPA.

● That council agrees with comments made recently by Mr. Green that the best use for the Paisley site would be public open space.

● That council remind the Premier and the Minister for Housing that three years ago, in a deputation to the then Minister, Mr. Dickie, and the Housing Commission, council suggested that Crown Land at Truganina was ideal for housing. The area was ejected as unsuitable.

● That the council considers the Housing Commission has procrastinated by not accepting advice to consider Truganina and by persisting with appeals to the tribunal against advice from the EPA, the council, industry and the Board of Works.

● Council has not received any information supporting the urgent need for housing in Altona; however, it reiterates that three years ago it proposed the use of Truganina for housing. Council must therefore question the sincerity of the Government's statement that housing in Altona is urgently needed.

The motion was carried unanimously.



Girls bowl 'em over

Women's cricketing circles around the west are puzzling over this season's dynamic success story... and wondering if Altona breeds a special talent for the game.

In their first season of cricket, and with the majority of the players novices to the game, the Altona Women's Cricket Club is tipped to win the C-grade west final over the next two Saturdays.

The girls — the youngest at 14 — are unbeaten this season, and will meet Avondale Heights in the final at 1 pm at Maribyrnong Park on Saturday.

In their only other meeting, Altona won the match outright.

Says Jimmy Pond: "The girls have done this on their own. They have

no regular coaches, help out occasionally, and so does my mate, 'Skip' Steven.

"But I don't play cricket. I haven't since I was at school, and that's a long, long time ago (Jim is 35).

"But these kids are really keen, and they practice. I'd say 90 per cent of them are still at school."

Jimmy is engaged to Kaye Stirling, 26, the captain of the team. They intend marrying in about two weeks... "after the final".

* Heather, 10-year-old daughter of Altona's Mayor and Mayoress, Cr. and Mrs. Les Crofts, gingerly tested the water with her toes after Sunday's opening ceremony.

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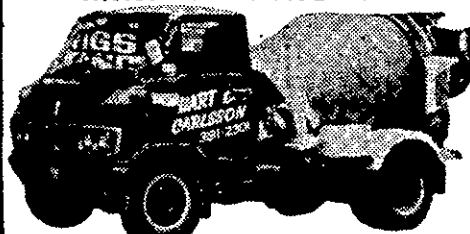
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Salvos' rates breather

The Salvation Army's two emergency-accommodation houses in Queen Street will be allowed a remission of rates by Altona Council.

Lietenant Ray Finger, of the Altona Corps and Community Centre, said in a letter to the council that the rates, totalling \$355, would be "an exhaustive expense".

A part from weekly cover charges of \$10 to \$15 for occupants who might be financial enough to afford it, the corps has no other funds for the operation of the emergency homes," he said.

"The corps would be most grateful if council (classified) the properties 'non-rateable' while they serve as emergency accommodation."

The town clerk, Mr. Syd Fell, told councillors last week that the houses were liable for rates of \$193.89 and \$161.23.

He said the Local Government Act precluded the properties being defined for rate exemption, but the council could remit the rates of the houses while they are maintained for their present purpose.

Councillors agreed to adjourn the matter of rate payment on the properties, and consideration of whole or part remission of the rates, until September 30.

Shootfest at Keilor

An Austrian - Barvarian - style "shooting festival" known as a Schuetzenfest, will be held at Keilor next month to coincide with Melbourne's Moomba.

It will be held at the Keilor - Austria soccer ground, and the main attraction will be a shooting contest with air rifles for men and women.

There will also be German-Austrian food, wines and beer and dancing.

A two - day function at the same ground last year attracted 10,000 people.

The organisers are hoping to double the crowd for this year's three - day event.

A schuetzenfest is held at Harndorf, near Adelaide, each January, and the Keilor organisers are hoping to arrange a national shoot-off between their own winners and those from Adelaide.

The festival will feature a wide variety of German - Austrian dancing, singing and entertainment as well as food and drink.

Souvenirs will be on sale.

The festival will open on Friday, March 11, at 6 p.m.

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Little Michael Sutherland, almost "lost in the crowd" during a play session at the Williamstown Neighborhood House.

New partner in restaurant

Mr. Gary Harley has sold out of the Craigatina Restaurant.

Gary and South Melbourne footballer Steve Hoffman, established the restaurant in Nelson Place, Williamstown.

Gary said yesterday he and his wife Pauline, wanted to travel overseas.

Steve told The Star - Advertiser his new partner in the Craigatina, is Mr. Fred Thomas.

"One of the things we will introduce, from March 6, is the Sunday roast dinner, and afternoon tea," Steve said.

"We hope that with this sort of catering available in Williamstown, more people from the other side of town will come over to look at the historic buildings."

"We will also be offering a three - course lunch from Tuesday to Sunday for \$4.80."

He said both he and

Gary thanked the restaurant's customers for their patronage in the past, and hoped that "people will stay with us."

Support for cluster homes

Altona councillors will study the Model Cluster Code for housing over the next week with a view to its adoption, or adoption of a modified code.

The city engineer, Mr. Ralph Simmons, tabled copies of the code sent by the State Government, at a meeting of the council's planning committee.

He said the Government wants all councils to decide if they will accept a code for cluster housing.

Cr. Alan Shaw moved to delay matter to give councillors time to study the code.

Cr. Ian Stewart, commenting on the code at Tuesday night's meeting of the council, said he felt the cluster housing idea should be met with enthusiasm by councillors.

"Victoria has the lowest density of housing in Australia, and I think we should allow more," he said.

"This code will allow the cutting up of blocks into

any shape for clusters of houses. You can have a rectangular block or even circular if you like.

"They're already allowing this sort of housing in New South Wales, the ACT and Queensland."

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He was a prisoner of war in Germany, and became fluent in German. He found this useful later, when migrants came to his shops in Hall Street, or The Circle in Altona East.

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which arranged Anzac Day reunions of wartime comrades.

He was made a life member.

Members of the brigade formed a guard of honor at the Newport Baptist Church for the funeral service.

Mr. Roper is survived by his wife, and children, Janet and Richard.

Door knock appeal to help hostel

The spastic children's hostel to be built on Apex Reserve will be one of the charities to benefit from a doorknock to be held on Sunday morning, March 27, throughout Altona.

The hostel is to be built by the Western Suburbs Spastic Relief Society.

The doorknock, formerly run solely by the Altona Council of Churches, is the only one allowed in Altona.

The appeal committee has this year been extended to include representation by service and sporting clubs.

A share of the proceeds from this year's collection will go to the Salvation Army, which is not permitted to hold its Red Shield Appeal doorknock in Altona.

Others to benefit from the doorknock this year will be Altona Hospital,

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The Williamstown neighborhood house for children is appealing to the public for material, generally regarded as junk, which can be put to good use in the house.

"Have you had a look in your shed lately?" it asks.

"What looks like a pile of junk to you could be a treasure trove for the Williamstown Neighborhood House for Children."

"High on the list of needs are manchester, cutlery, crockery and toys — in fact, anything that is used in a domestic arrangement."

"Nothing will be wasted, what can't be used by the co-op will be passed on to someone who can use it, and needs it."

The house, which is in Cecil Street, was bought with an Australian Government grant, and is run by the Williamstown Community Centre Co-operative.

The aim of the neighborhood house is to provide one centre where there is a mixture of services to children of different ages.

The co-op points out that some children may need to be at the house all day, others a few hours, and yet others only occasionally. There may be need among some for emergency care.

The co-op believes that parental and community involvement are the best guarantees that child-care services will be of good quality, and meet the needs of families using them.

The next general meeting of the co-op will be on Tuesday, March 8 at 8 pm in the Williamstown Town Hall committee room.

Interested parents and members of the public are invited to attend.

Gifts of equipment to the co-op can be arranged by ringing Lyn on 397 1103, Wendie on 387 7729 or Christine on 397 1758.

Ex-POW trader dies, aged 61

Mr. Doug Roper, a well-known shopkeeper in Newport and Altona, died recently after a long illness at the age of 61.

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Woman councillor 'on the cards'

Altona could see a woman on its city council before too long, Elaine Grainger told the Mayor, Cr. Les Crofts, on Wednesday night, February 16.

Cr. Crofts was guest speaker at the change-over night of officers at the Altona Toastmistress Club.

In the club's vote of thanks to the Mayor, Ms. Grainger said that Cr. Crofts "may yet get a woman councillor from the Altona Toastmistress Club."

The Mayor, in his talk, said councils are the grass roots of government.

He said Altona council was able to keep annual rates at a low level because of budgeting, keeping to that budget, and forward planning.

● Pictured are, from left: Cr. Crofts, Mrs. Crofts, Mrs. Teresa Dutton (president of council 7 of the International Toastmistress Clubs), Linda Van Teulingen (retiring president ATC) and Betty Caulfield (new ATC president). Photo: Bob Hawkins 399 1496.

Mrs Mary Rosser 91 tomorrow

Newport identity, Mrs. Mary Rosser of Anderson Street, celebrates her 91st birthday tomorrow, Thursday, March 3.

Mrs. Rosser is the oldest member of the Newport Pensioners' Club and has been keenly anticipating a day trip to Rosebud today.

She was born in Eaglehawk, near Bendigo, and is the last surviving member of the Bottoms family. She has an amazing memory of early life at Eaglehawk.

Mrs. Rosser has two sons, two daughters, 10 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

She lives with her youngest daughter, Mrs. Enid Spicer, and grand-daughter, Gaylene.

Pier Street parade to begin activities day

More than 45 groups will take part in Altona's "activities day", which will start with a parade, including floats, through the Pier Street shopping centre.

The day is planned for Sunday, March 20.

The parade is timed to begin at 12.30 pm from the beach end of Pier Street, and those taking part will make their way up to Civic Parade and down Fresno Street to Cherry Lake.

The activities day is the brain-child of Altona's recreation officer, Denis Morgan, and the city's Recreation Advisory Committee — 10 people representing sporting, yachting, canoeing, the groups in the district.

"The idea is to bring people together, and to let the community know just what is available in the way of recreation in Altona," Denis said yesterday.

"So far 45 clubs and organisations have entered their names, and maybe we'll have a few more before the day comes round."

"There will be all sorts of activities down at the lake and in the park: hockey, soccer, the toastmistress club ... you name it."

"This will be the first thing of its kind in Altona. The closest thing to it that I know of would be the Back To Altona celebrations," Denis said.

Families will be able to use barbecue facilities at the park, although many people would be likely to take their own picnic lunches.

Organisations taking part in the day will have membership information available for those interested during the afternoon.

For any information contact Mr. Morgan at Altona Civic Centre on 398 2244.

Newport 'talkback'

A talkback programme chaired by Williamstown conservationist Mr. John Marks will highlight a week of discussion about the Newport power station on Access Radio 3ZZ.

The talkback will be held in English, between 8.30 and 9 pm on Friday, March 11. It will be repeated the following morning at 8.30.

Anyone wanting to join in the talkback — will be able to phone direct to the programme on 67 8653.

Guest panelist will be Dr. Bob Birrell, Monash University sociologist.

On Monday, March 7, between 8.30 and 9 pm, another English-language programme giving the opinions of several Williamstown residents on the Newport controversy will be held.

Included in the interviews are Mrs. Dorothy Waight, the mayor, Cr. Peter Lator, and several young married couples

who recently moved into the area.

The programme will also be repeated the following morning at 8.30.

A 15-minute programme in Italian, giving the opinions of some Italian workers in the Western Region will begin at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, March 11.

On Wednesday, March 9, a programme in Greek will run from 6 p.m. to 7.35 p.m. The programme will include opinions for and against Newport, and will include talks by Mr. Denis Skiotis, a chemistry lecturer at RMIT, and Dr. Cyril Curtin, of the CSIRO.

Interested listeners will be able to phone through questions between 6.30 and 7.20 pm, on 60 0721.

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— Willis gives blunt facts to council

By John Dixon

A total of 2347 registered unemployed at Footscray office of the Commonwealth Employment office at the end of January: up 41 per cent on the same time last year ...

Only 53 job vacancies for men and 40 for women at the same place and time; 3800 jobs disappearing in the Footscray area last year ...

These are just three of the blunt facts told to Footscray Council at its last meeting by the Labor MHR for Gellibrand, Mr. Ralph Willis of Williams-town.

Mr. Willis accepted an invitation from the council to discuss unemployment — and he pulled no punches.

The overall unemployed position was the worst since the Commonwealth Employment Service began operating, in 1946, he said.

On a national level, an 110,000 increase in the labor force in a year and an increase of only 4000 jobs available.

Biggest reason for the situation, Mr. Willis said, was a decline in manufacturing industries.

This was caused, to a large degree by movement of employment opportunities to overseas, particularly South-East Asia, where attractive conditions were being offered to manufacturing industry.

The growth areas of unemployment were in the health and education fields.

NOT IN WEST

And these provided little opportunity in the Footscray area.

In what jobs were available, preference was being given to people with higher educational qualifications, Mr. Willis said.

Which left people with a low education in "a diabolical situation".

Footscray's situation, with over 2000 registered unemployed more than jobs available, was echoed in Sunshine's case.

The economy of the western suburbs was in bad shape.

Retrenchments and plant closures — such as the Angliss meatworks, Rothmans — had meant a total of 3800 jobs had disappeared in the west last year.

And the trend of industry to move out of the west was particularly worrying.

Consolidation processes, such as that undertaken by Rothmans, could be understood.

OVERSEAS

Nylex had moved to Malaysia. Australian National Industries from West Footscray to the Philippines. Wiltshire files had opened a plant in the Philippines.

In the latter's case, there had been a promise no retrenchments would

be made in the western suburbs.

But the likelihood of expansion in the west and resultant job creation was slim in view of the expansion overseas.

The Fraser Government had no intention of helping fight the programme by such means as the Regional Employment Development scheme the Whitlam Government had funded.

To the contrary, it had set itself firmly against job-creation projects.

Mr. Willis recommended the council appoint a YMCA out-reach worker.

For the \$3000-odd a year it could mean young unemployed not becoming anti-social in their behavior, he said.

The council decided later in the meeting, to make this appointment.

INFLATION

To the mayor of Footscray, Cr. Vincent Verducci, who asked could he see any indication of a substantial reduction in inflation in the next five years:

"I don't see it coming down. I think it will continue to grow."

To Cr. Bert Heatley, who asked about the chances of the council starting a type of small RED scheme of its own and if so, would Government funding, even in part, be possible.

"There won't be a brass razzoo from the Federal Government."

Cr. Fred Maddern said Australia, despite having an Industrial Assistance Corporation, was one of few countries that did not provide protection for its industries.

Industrially, Australia was on a suicide course, he said. Where there any chance the IAC would review its policies?

"I think the answer's 'no'," said Mr. Willis. "They've made their policies clear over a number of years."

Australia needed industrial protection, but there was no way it could compete with such places as the Philippines, where wages were low and strikes were outlawed.

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We still have some of the Dana special left, girls, Tabu and Ambush 50g cologne spray for only \$4.95, normally a 75g spray cologne would cost \$8.50. Also specials in 3 of the Max Factor fragrances Aquarius, Hypnotique and Primitif 100 ml spray cologne for \$4.75.

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Vic. navy's first ship The peaceful man-o'-war

The Victorian Navy's mighty warship Nelson, named after Britain's greatest fighting admiral, had a singularly dull and peaceful career.

Doug Mills, of Castle-maine, says this in an article in the Williams-town Historical Society's January newsletter. Mr. Mills writes:-

Work was started on the Nelson in 1805, the year that her namesake fell at the most famous sea battle, Trafalgar. She was to be a fighting memorial to Britain's most loved naval hero.

She was the largest ship built in Britain up to that time.

Launched at Woolwich on July 4, 1814, she was 244 ft. long, 54 ft. 6 in. wide and weighed 2617 tons.

A crew of 875 was needed to man her.

She carried 126 guns — 32-pounders, 24-pounders and 18-pounders on three decks.

The Nelson was laid up until 1854 when she apparently did some service during the Crimean War.

In 1860, she was cut down to a two-decker, and lengthened.

She was fitted with a steam engine driving a single screw. Two 7 in. 68-pounder guns were in her modified armament of 72 guns.

On February 7, 1867, she was given to the

Colony of Victoria by the Imperial Government.

She reached Melbourne on February 4, 1868, with a crew of 264.

In Port Phillip she was used firstly as a reformatory for waifs and strays — 350 boys a year.

In 1876 she took part in a mock battle with the Williamstown artillery batteries.

At this time she carried two 7" guns, 20 rifled 64-pounders, 20 32-pounders and six 12-pounders.

In 1881 she was cut down to a single-decker in the Alfred Graving Dock, Williamstown.

In 1884, during the Russian "scare", she was placed under the command of Captain Alan Broderick Thomas, RN.

In 1898, she was sold to private owners, who used her as a cold-storage depot ship.

In 1901 half the Nelson was towed to Sydney and used as a coal hulk. The other half was used as a lighter in Port Phillip Bay.

The coal-hulk half was broken up in Hobart in 1924.

Relics of the Nelson were auctioned at the naval depot, Williamstown, in 1908, and two of her anchors are still on display in Williamstown.

Guns from the Nelson were given to Ballarat, Bendigo, Castlemaine, Ararat, Tarnagulla, Hamilton, Bacchus Marsh, Echuca and Geelong West.

It is a pity the poor old Nelson is not with us today. She would not have the battle scars and the glory of England's Victory but she would have held pride of place as Victoria's first man-o'-war.

SHE is no more but her "teeth" still stand sentinel in many a park.



Brooklyn girl weds at Sunbury

Brooklyn girl Barbara Anne Kersley has married South Australian Bernard Moore in a ceremony at Kismet Gardens, Sunbury.

After the reception, also at Kismet, the couple left for a honeymoon in Canberra.

Barbara is the only daughter of Mrs. C. Risdale, of Corrigan Avenue, Brooklyn, and Bernard is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Moore, of South Australia.

Bridesmaids were Janet Baron and Cheryl Hayes and the best man was John Combe.

Health education needs in west

A meeting of educationists at the Western Region Education Centre agreed that schools in the western suburbs need in-service health-education programmes involving parents.

Those at the meeting included teachers from Paisley and Buckley Park High schools, representatives from the Western Region Community Health Centre and a representative from the Sunshine Regional Office of the Education Department.

They agreed on four areas of priority in health education. Those were diet, and nutrition, first aid and safety, drug education (including cigarettes, alcohol and aspirin as well as hard drugs), common diseases and disabilities.

Lindsay Mead from the curriculum and research branch of the Education Department told the meeting that there was a need to cover all areas of health education in schools, not simply sexuality.

Other points raised in discussion included the

need to consider guidelines for health education programmes and to establish what local resources are available.

The question of people's rights and the legal status of adolescents was also raised.

Director of the Western Region Education Centre, Mr. Colin Thorpe, said, "We need to adopt a positive approach to health education in the west".

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A lighted scale model of the Gellibrand Light will be on display at the Williamstown Library all this month.

The model has been loaned to the library by the Williamstown and Newport Sea Angling Club.

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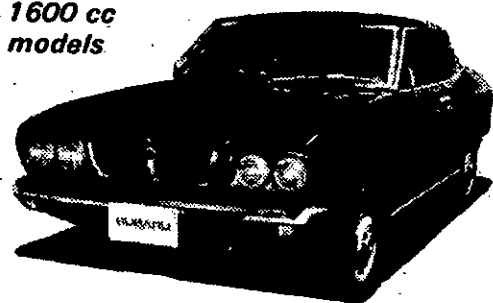
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Altona swimming pool opened

Altona's city engineer, Mr. Ralph Simmons, reported the following works to councillors at their meeting last week.

Swimming pool at Meadows: The building was completed by the contractor, Paynter and Dixon Pty. Ltd. Playground equipment was installed and grass planted; security fencing was erected so that children can attend the kindergarten before permanent boundary fencing is erected. Construction of the parking area is in progress. Athletics pavilion at Grant Reserve: Plumbing and electrical work was undertaken. Erection of steel work for the roof is about to begin. Resurfacing of pavements: The section of Mason Street between Millers Road and Mills Street was sheeted with bituminous concrete. Remedial works on sections of concrete kerb and channelling is being undertaken in Blackshaws Road between Broadway and Millers Road, prior to sheeting with bituminous concrete.

Art Show entries close soon

Entries for the annual art show staged by the Werribee Be Sigma Phi group close on March 18th. Entrants are asked to have their works at Centenary Hall Werribee on Wednesday 20th April between 10 am and 8 pm. Postal entries should be addressed to the chairman, Box 313, Werribee, 3030. Telephone enquiries should be directed to 741-118.

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Correction

Last week, The Star wrongly stated that Guys and Dolls was to be staged by the Altona Drama Group in late April, early May.

The production is to be presented by the Altona City Theatre, and will run for three nights at the end of April, and another three at the start of May.

FINAL NIGHT DOG TRAINING TONIGHT

The last night training session for the Werribee Dog Obedience Club will be held tonight, Wednesday, March 2nd.

Normal Saturday training at 2.30 pm behind the racecourse grandstand is not affected; so everyone is invited to enjoy a pleasant hour training your dog in pleasant surroundings.

All members are requested to attend the general meeting on Thursday March 3 in the committee room of the racing club commencing 8.00 pm.

Club policies and decisions are every members responsibility; please attend and offer your suggestions.

New members, current members and last years members are invited to attend the first club competition to be held on Saturday March 12, at the training ground, commencing 2.30 pm.

All dogs judged individually in their class.

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General meetings are held every 1st Thursday of the month and during the year guest speakers with films, demonstrations etc. will be attending these meetings.

All members and prospective members are reminded that all dogs and puppies be permanently immunised before bringing the dog to training.

If any information required contact John Clements after 6.00 pm on 741 2904.

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PATTERSON, John. — Passed away March 4, 1974. Words are few, feelings deep. Memories of you are ours to keep. — Loving wife Sarah and family Jack, Joë, Shirley and Reta.

THANKS

McKENZIE — Linda, Chris and family of 71 Pasco St., Williamstown wish to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for floral tributes and expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement. Would all please accept this as our personal thanks.

SNOWDEN. — The widow of the late George Snowden wishes to thank all relatives and friends for the floral tributes and sympathy cards sent to her on her sad loss.

BIRTHS

DOERNER (Harley). — To Kristine and Harald, a daughter, Nadine Louise, 1/3/77, at Altona Hospital. — Both well.

PUBLIC NOTICES

ALTONA PRESBYTERIAN PAPER DRIVE. SATURDAY, March 5. Deliver to church, 241 Civic Pde., or phone 398 2371 by Friday for pick up.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

Classes in religious knowledge for Catholic children attending State Primary Schools in Altona, will be conducted at St. Mary's school, Railway St., Altona each Wednesday, from 4-4.45 p.m. commencing 9th March. Enrollment forms are appearing on St. Mary's Parish bulletin, or can be obtained from St. Mary's school office 48 McBain St., during school hours or are available from the principal's office in the local State Primary schools. Further details from Father Gerald O'Connor (398 2964) or Sister Patricia (398 4842), AH 398 2686.

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We are pleased to welcome twenty new members of staff:

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Parents who wish to discuss their sons' progress should make the initial approach through the appropriate co-ordinator.

The co-operation of parents in ensuring that their sons' belongings (books, clothes, etc.) are clearly named is requested.

Parents of new students who desire to go home for lunch are asked to notify Mr. Glasson to this effect. If there are any changes in lunch arrangements of students from 1976 parents are asked to advise Mr. Glasson in writing.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

The first meeting of the Parents and Friends Association for 1977 was held on Tuesday 22nd February at the school.

We urge all parents to take an interest in school activities, and hope at least one parent from each family will make an effort to attend our meetings.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or criticisms the school would be pleased to hear from you.

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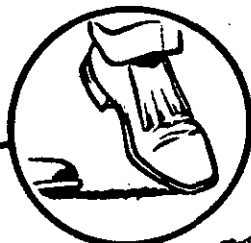
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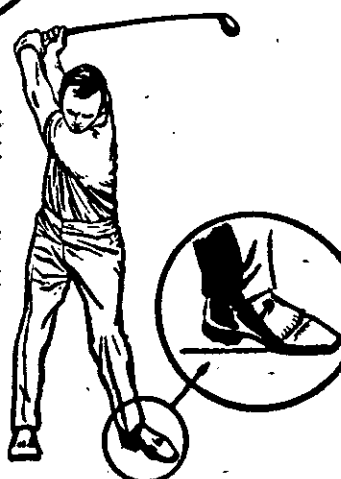


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Table tennis club has eye on flags

Williamstown High School Table Tennis Club has its eye on more premierships, having four teams delicately placed near the top of the ladder.

There are two rounds to go before the finals start.

The club is in its fifth season and has all ready won 23 premierships.

Results:

Northern Table Tennis Association B2 grade: WHS Nilson 9 (Jason Warland, Paul Miles 3, Gary Richardson 2, 1 doubles) d. Don Bosco 2.

Western Suburbs Table Tennis Association:

A reserve grade:

Williamstown High School 11 (Luciano Azopardi, Jason Warland, Garry Hoffmann 3, 2 doubles) d. Newport 0.

C1 grade: Hick's Timbers 7 d. Williamstown High 4 (Geoff Van Wyngaarden 2, 2 doubles).

D1 grade: Williamstown High 11 (Leanne Addison, Carolyn Porter, Graeme Addison 3, 2 doubles) d. RACV Footscray 0.

E1 grade: WHS Malakunas 11 (Anthony Watts, Claudio Azopardi, Alex Hell 3, 2

doubles) d. Altona West 0. Altona Salvation Army 8 d. WHS Daniels 3 (Robbie Bell 2, Chris Day 1).

Leading players: A reserve: Jason Warland 30-3, Luciano Azopardi 27-9, Garry Hoffmann 14-4; C1 grade: Geoff Van Wyngaarden 24-6, Peter Davies 18-12; D1 grade: Leanne Addison 23-10, Graeme Addison 19-17; E1 grade: Anthony Watts 33-3, Claudio Azopardi 31-6, Alex Hell 26-7.

Black day for Newport bowlers

The Newport Bowling Club had one of their blackest rounds for the season on Saturday when only two of their eight sides won.

Pennant results:

A2 lost to Box Hill RSL, 82-103; Reserves 2 d. Williamstown, 105-74; B2 lost to Buckley Park, 81-110; B3 d. Buckley Park, 101-95; B4 lost to Strathmore, 86-98; B5 lost to Buckley Park, 80-94; B6 lost to Werribee, 100-108; B6 (2) lost to Buckley Park, 93-96.

Best rinks: J. Vinall, L. Kelly, K. Reilly, R. Marr, P. Greer, J. O'Connor, N. Smith, R. Thomas.

Women's pennant results:

A2 lost to Strathmore, 76-106; B2 lost to Williamstown, 83-114; C1 d. Doughty Galla, 101-69; C3 d. Keilor, 110-98.

TOURNAMENT

A men's nominated fours tournament was held last week. Winning rink: B. Wild (Williamstown), A. Richards, F. Holt, J. Hynes. Runners-up: Altona WMC Rink, skippered by B. Harrison.

Mixed fours winners: L. Clark, L. Weedon, M. McLaren, A. Wilson. Run-

ners-up: B. Smith, T. Blythman, F. Holdsworth, R. Roath.

Bankers tournament: D. Rogash, L. Watson, P. Walker, J. Wilson.

Congratulations to K. Tobin and B. Quigley who reached the semi-finals of the group 9 championships.

Newport will be host club to the Williamstown Naval Dockyard in a twilight tournament next Tuesday. An all-day tournament will be held on March 14.

Only one team wins pennant

The Altona WMCBC had only one winning team in last Saturday's pennant round.

A4 scored a clear win over Sunshine City, 105-78. Best rink: A. Molloy (s), B. Jackson, B. Ljung, J. Briscoe.

C1 lost to Footscray RSL, 54-95. Best rink: G.

Curnow (s), S. Haffull, J. Edington, J. Banks. C2 lost to Footscray City 67-71. Best rink: D. Nettleton (s), J. Pugsley, E. Dickson, V. Carter. Thanks to the club's

four past presidents, A. Molloy, R. Jackson, R. Briscoe and G. Curnow, the past president's day was a success.

Winners: E. Sharp (s), A. Ritchie, D. Sherriff, J. Briscoe.

Women's cricket

Two Altona North Women's cricket teams lost their semi-final matches.

NEWPORT LADIES' LACROSSE CLUB

Training for season 1977, commences on Monday, March 7, at 7 pm. Fearon Reserve Clubrooms, Williamstown. All new players welcome. For further information phone Vera Melis, 397 5829.

Altona North (1) 81 and 173 (D. Dennis 74 no inc. four sixes, B. Butcher 38, S. Canningham 28) lost to Essendon, 304 (B. Millichip 4/31, W. Sanders 5/80). Altona North (2) 90 and 53, lost to Altona 200.

WOMEN

Both women's pennant teams won last round.

C1 scored by one shot against Sunshine VRI. Best rink: J. Yates (s), B. Dutton, R. Grisy, R. Hunter, 30-12.

D1 d. Deer Park ICI by 19 shots. Best rink: B. Cameron, M. Hewitt, J. Bett, M. Cater, 32-23.

D1 are clear leaders in their section and with only one home-and-home match in the women's pennant competition, are assured of taking part in the section play-offs.

Gulls face first practice match

Williamstown footballers will play their first full-scale practice match against Sunshine on Sunday.

Rams take a slide

Newport Rams baseballers have dropped the points in their past two games to loose top spot on the ladder.

On Wednesday, they allowed Coburg to take a 5-0 lead before they fought back to score three runs.

Errors were again costly in this game.

Newport 3, Coburg 5. Hits: Newport 8, Coburg 6. Safe hits: McKelvie 2, McGregor, Kennedy, Lynch, Simpson, Campbell, Ockwell.

On Sunday, the Rams took an early 3-1 lead, but turned in a loose innings in the third to let Waverley in for five — too big a hurdle.

Newport 4, Waverley 7.

Hits: Newport 9, Waverley 9. Errors: Newport 5. Safe hits: Harris 3, McKelvie 2, Campbell, Lynch, Ockwell, H. Bunting.

The A2 team turned on a dismal display against Waverley. There are too many players in the team who are out of form.

With only one game to play the loss could have finished any pretensions they have to a finals berth.

Newport 2, Waverley 11.

Hits: Newport 2, Waverley 10. Errors: Newport 6, Waverley 3. Safe hits: Maher, Cassell.

Division three east had a close tussle all day with Research, and went down by one game. More concentration is needed.

Newport 5, Research 6.

Errors: Newport 7, Research 3. Hits: Newport 8, Research 6. Safe hits:

United players train

The Williamstown United Football Club has started training.

The club trains at Fearon Reserve on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Head coach is veteran champion Bob Nichols. He has played more than 200 games and twice been the club's best and fairest player.

Other coaches are: Reserves, Peter Bell; Under 17, Lance Powley; Under 15, Des Hosking.

James 2, Sullivan 2, Smith, Wass, Hansby, Deveson. Best: T. Smith.

Division three west picked up this week. They got their batting going, and this gave them the edge in a close game. The defence is still loose and unnecessary errors are making it hard to win.

Newport 13, Blackburn 12.

Hits: Newport 17, Blackburn 10. Errors: Newport 9, Blackburn 12. Safe hits: Cohan 3 (inc. grand slam), Bell 3, Dey 2, Reed 2, C. Smith 2, Williams, Smythe, Thatcher, Greenwood 2. Best: P. Cowhan, C. Smith.

The Under-17 team put in a great effort to come from 0-5 to 10-5, but then they relaxed in the last innings and allowed Sunshine to get close.

JUNIORS

Newport 10, Sunshine 9.

Hits: Newport 8, Sunshine 4. Errors: Newport 6, Sunshine 3. Safe hits: Mildenhall, 3, Ryan 2, Marr, Snoey, Maher, Best: Mildenhall, Ainslie.

The Under 15s were beaten by Sunshine 12-4.

The Under 13A team had an easy win against a younger side, but will need to show more concentration when they meet more experienced teams.

Newport 26, Sunshine 14.

Hits: Newport 16, Sunshine 2. Errors, Newport 1, Sunshine 8. Safe hits:

Douglas 4 (inc. 2 home runs), Butlin 3 (inc. home run), Cornish 2 (home run), Portelli 2, Malthouse, home run, Zahra, Ashley Minnett, Phillips, Best: Douglas, Portelli, Malthouse.

The Under 13 B side made a good start when they held Williamstown to a one-run lead, but then the inexperience showed through. New pitcher, Paul McGowan, did well on his first trip to the mound.

Newport 13, Williamstown 27.

Hits: Newport 4, Williamstown 4. Errors: Newport 7, Williamstown 5. Safe hits: Westhorpe 2, Felns home run, Richards.

This week's game: A1 away to Preston Wednesday 6.30 pm; A1 away to Blackburn Sunday 4 pm; Strawfield; A2 away to Blackburn Sunday 1.30 pm; Strawfield; A2 away to Springvale 4 pm; Div. 3 West away to Melbourne 1.30 pm.

The Thirds kick off at 10 a.m., the Seconds at midday and the Firsts at 2.15 p.m.

The games will be played on Sunshine's Skinner Reserve.

On Sunday, March 20, the Seagulls have a practice match that they will be using as a 'revenge' game.

They go to Chirnside Park to play Werribee who beat them in a home-and-away game last year.

On that day, the Thirds will start at 11 a.m., the Seconds at 1 p.m., and the Firsts at 3 p.m.

On Wednesday, March 23, there is a twilight

game scheduled at the Brunswick Oval at 5 p.m.

There are a couple of important functions also this month. On March 17, a film of last year's grand final will be shown starting at 8 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for children.

The presentation of the Williamstown town hall on Wednesday, March 30.

This is a BYO night and admission will be \$5.

It will give supporters an opportunity to meet old and new players before the opening game of the season, against Geelong West the following Sunday.

Five local teams in aths finals

For the second year in succession, five Williamstown teams are in the Venue Athletics Finals this weekend.

The club's three senior teams, B, C and D grades made the finals as well as Under 17 (1) and Under 13 (1).

C grade went through the interclub rounds unbeaten.

The last round of interclub competition held on the weekend, was almost another washout, but seven Williamstown teams won.

B grade beat Richmond by 30 points. Ken McLeod won the 3000m walk 15:01. John Steward was second in 15:28.5.

Paul Jamieson and Shane Dooley were first and second in the 100m, with Paul winning on a 'dive' at the line.

Both recorded 10.9, with Brian Davidson third in 11.1.

Brian later won the triple jump (13.88m) and 110m hurdles (16.2).

Shane Dooley was again second, this time in the hurdles, when Brian piped him on the line. He recorded 16.2.

C GRADE

Shane ran a strong first half of the 400m against the wind to finish first in 51.0, clear of Paul Jamieson (51.5) and Greg McKay (51.7).

Both the C grade walkers recorded personal bests.

John Condon won in 15:44 with George Adams second in 15:47.

Graham Shaw recorded his best 100m (11.4) when he ran fourth behind David Jamieson (11.3) and Mike Iaccarino (11.3).

Gary Hall won the triple (13.18m) and Ian Jackson won the 400m (52.2) from Graham Shaw who ran another PB 52.6.

Barry Whear was second in the 1500m, 4:18.2; and Tony Farrar threw the discus 26.10m.

D grade beat Altona 77 to 20.

Cliff Barling won the 1500m walk in 7.45. Ian MacKay won the 100m with a pb time of 11.6 and the 400m in a pb of 52.9.

Brenton Dodd won the high jump, 1.55m; Greg McVicar won the shot, 8.94m, Gary Hall won the 1500m in a pb of 4:28.

Paul Markopoulos ran his best 110m hurdles when he clocked 19.7 and

Greg Kidd ran 12.0 for the 100m and 58.4 for 400m.

The sub-junior (1) sprint saw a very close finish between Matthew Webster and Bruce Orchard.

They were neck-and-neck as they crossed the line with Matthew getting the officials' nod for first.

Both were timed at 11.8. Lex Meaklin ran a pb of 4:40.0 in the 1500m; Barry McCready put the shot 13.80m; Chris Lowden triple jumped 12.68m and threw the discus 37.90m.

The under-15s beat EMH (2) 65 to 19.

Brendan McKay won the 1500m walk in a pb time of 9:21.6.

Darren Greaves won the discus, 26.20m, and was second in the 100m in the pb time of 13.5.

Bernard Webster won the 1500m, 5:11.1 and Glen Hargreaves won the 400m, 62.5.

RECORDS

Competing in the under-14s, Alec Yankos broke two club records.

They were the discus, 42.76m and shot 16.23m. He also won the 100m in 12.4.

Walter Scrap won the triple jump, 9.62m and was second in the 80m hurdles in 18.1.

Under-13 (1) beat Sunshine 60 to 43. Mark Hughes recorded a pb of 9:02.8 in the 1500m walk.

Terry Martin won the triple jump with a leap of 9.97m.

John Barnett won the discus (31.95m), 100m (13.0) and high jump (1.25).

Paul Lowden won the 80m hurdles in 13.3.

Jim Kalisperis recorded a pb of 13.4 in the 100m.

In under-13 (2) best performances were by Paul Lowden 9.97 for the triple jump, Robert Evans 18.4 for the 80m hurdles and Andrew Robson 1.20m in the high jump.

In the 100m all three runners ran pb.

First was Terry Martin 13.8; second George Lieris 14.1 and third Robert Evans, 15.3.

Mark Hughes ran 5:56.4 in the 1500m.

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L. G. Rowley, Hon. Secretary.

Season ends on low note for Seagulls

Washed-out cricket last weekend may have been fortunate for Williamstown who were playing Yarraville, but it put the seal on a disappointing season for the club.

The Seagulls now end their season with a one-day match at Chirnside

Park on Saturday against Werribee.

The players will then pack away their flannels

and pads until October. There will be an after-season trip to Tasmania later this month.

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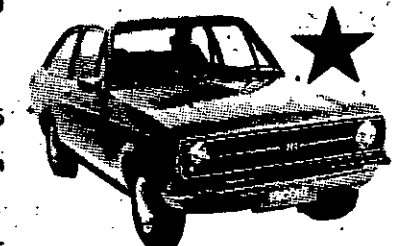
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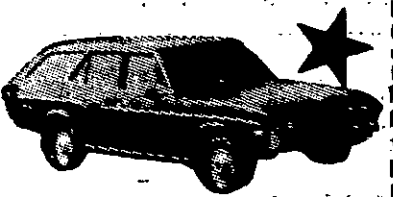
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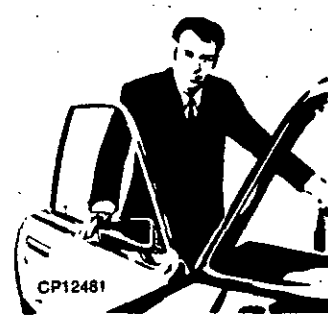
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